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Dear Sir:

The following Amendments and Remarks are submitted for entry into the application filed on August 27, 2001, serial number 09/939,960. This Preliminary Amendment is submitted prior to the first Office Action on the merits in the above-captioned case. Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 8, line 19 with the following replacement paragraph.

Fig. 21 illustrates a Read Secure Metadata protocol according to an embodiment of the present invention.

Please delete the paragraph starting on page 8, lines 21 and 22.

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121(b)(1)(iii), the attachment entitled “**Version with Markings to Show Changes Made**” contains a marked up version of the replacement paragraph illustrating the newly introduced change in the specification.

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Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Return Receipt Postcard;
- (2) This Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); and
- (3) Preliminary Amendment (3 pages);

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